

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOUR IN MYSORE, BANGALORE

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR KOLAR GOLD FIELDS AREA
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1948.

A Fall of 6.6 points.

The cost of Living Index number of working classes in Kolar Gold Fields Area for the month of February 1948, worked up to 277.9 points recording a fall of 6.6 points below the previous month's figure.

As compared with the previous month, the index number of the food group declined by 8.7 points on account of fall in the prices of Greengram, Jaggery, Meat, Fish, Onions, Gingelly oil, Coconut, Groundnut oil, Chillies, Tamarind and Coriander. The Index numbers of the Fuel and Lighting, Clothing and House Rent groups remained constant.

The Index number of the Miscellaneous group declined by 3.7 points on account of fall in the price of Soap, Supari and Flowers.

(Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936 =100).

Names of the articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity			Index Numbers	
			Year ended June 1936	January 1948	February 1948	January 1948	February 1948
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Food.—							
1 Raw rice	Seer measure	3.6	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 4 7	229	229
2 Boiled rice	"	36.9	0 2 1	0 4 7	0 4 7	220	220
3 Ragi	"	11.1	0 0 11	0 2 8	0 2 8	291	291
4 Blackgram Dhal	"	0.4	0 2 11	0 13 5	0 13 8	460	469
5 Tur Dhal	"	4.2	0 2 8	0 12 11	0 13 2	484	494
6 Bengalgram Dhal	"	0.8	0 1 11	0 7 4	0 7 4	383	383
7 Avare Dhal	"	0.6	0 2 1	0 12 9	0 13 5	612	644
8 Greengram	"	0.6	0 1 11	0 10 5	0 10 4	543	539
9 Sugar	Seer wt.	0.5	0 1 4	0 4 4	0 4 10	325	363
10 Jaggery	Viss	2.8	0 3 3	0 8 3	0 5 11	254	184
11 Coffee seeds	Seer wt.	1.8	0 4 0	0 15 0	0 15 6	375	378
12 Fish	"	2.1	0 3 6	0 9 3	0 9 0	264	257
13 Meat	2 Lbs. wt.	9.0	0 5 0	1 9 9	1 9 0	322	313
14 Milk	Seer measure	2.8	0 3 3	0 5 4	0 5 4	164	164
15 Onions	Viss	0.8	0 1 4	0 9 8	0 5 7	725	494
16 Curds	Seer meas.	0.6	0 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 3	163	163
17 Ghee	Seer wt.	1.1	0 6 0	0 15 6	0 15 6	258	258
18 Gingelly oil	"	3.2	0 2 0	0 8 5	0 7 7	421	379
19 Coconut	Each	0.8	0 1 2	0 4 0	0 3 4	343	286
20 Groundnut oil	Seer wt.	0.6	0 1 7	0 6 11	0 6 2	437	399
21 Salt	Seer measure	1.3	0 1 2	0 1 7	0 1 6	136	129
22 Chillies	Viss	4.0	0 7 8	2 9 3	2 6 5	538	501
23 Tamarind	"	1.4	0 2 7	0 12 0	0 10 5	465	403
24 Coriander	Seer measure	1.2	0 1 4	0 4 2	0 3 10	313	288
25 Garlic	Seer wt.	0.6	0 2 0	0 4 11	0 6 10	246	342
26 Sojee	Seer measure	0.3	0 2 5	0 7 6	0 7 6	310	310
27 Vegetables	Viss	3.8	0 3 0	0 12 2	0 11 8	406	389
28 Ready made coffee	Cup	3.2	0 0 6	0 1 0	0 1 0	200	200
Total	...	100.0	...	...	...	...	...
Index number of all food articles	...	...	...	...	...	294.5	285.8
Fuel and Lighting.—							
1 Firewood	Maund	75.1	0 2 0	0 5 6	0 5 6	275	275
2 Castor Oil	Seer wt.	7.8	0 2 3	0 9 0	0 9 0	400	400
3 Kerosene Oil	Bottle	13.1	0 2 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	144	144
4 Match box of 50 sticks	Dozen	5.0	0 3 9	0 8 0	0 8 0	213	213
Total	...	100.0	...	...	...	...	...
Index number of Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	263.1	265.7
Clothing.—							
1 Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards	9.3	2 1 0	3 13 0	2 13 0	185	185
2 Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	Yard	1.7	0 4 4	0 10 1	0 10 1	233	233
3 Coating	"	20.4	0 6 5	0 10 9	0 10 9	168	168
4 Shirting	"	14.7	0 5 0	0 7 4	0 7 4	147	147
5 Sarees	Each	39.4	3 3 0	8 4 0	8 4 0	259	259
6 Cloth for jackets, etc.	Yard	14.5	0 5 3	0 9 10	0 9 10	187	187
Total	...	100.0	...	...	...	...	...
Index number of Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	205.2	206.2
House Rent.—							
1 House rent	...	100.0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	...	...
Total	...	100.0	...	...	...	...	...

Names of articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity			Index Numbers		
			Year ended June 1936	January 1947	February 1948	January 1948	February 1948	
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.			
Miscellaneous.—								
1 Barber	... One shave	14'6	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	200	200	
2 Soap for washing	... One Bar	20'0	0 4 3	1 4 0	1 3 7	471	461	
3 Soapnut powder	... Seer wt.	5'2	0 1 1	0 6 0	0 6 2	554	569	
4 Supari	... "	14'1	0 3 3	1 2 0	1 1 7	554	541	
5 Beedies	... Bundle of 25.	15'7	0 1 0	0 1 9	0 1 9	175	175	
6 Travelling expenses		6'7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100	
7 Flowers	... 1 bunch	3'9	0 0 6	0 2 0	0 1 11	400	383	
8 Amusements	... 1 show	9'1	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 3 0	150	150	
9 Charges for grinding	... 2 seers.	6'1	0 0 2	0 0 6	0 0 6	300	300	
10 Household necessities.	Seer wt.	5'7	0 5 0	0 15 7	0 15 7	312	312	
	Total]	100'0	...	...	...	...	...	
Index number—Miscellaneous		...	...	...	...	328'4	324'7	
Group			Weight proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers				
				January 1947	February 1948			
1 Food	...	...	70'9	294'5	285'8			
2 Fuel and lighting	...	...	6'2	265'7	265'7			
3 Clothing	...	...	9'1	206'2	206'2			
4 House rent	...	...	2'1	100'0	100'6			
5 Miscellaneous	...	...	11'7	328'4	324'7			
	Total	...	100'0	...	...			
Cost of Living Index—numbers		...	...	284'5	277'9			

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